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MARICOPA COUNTY RECORDER HELEN PURCELL UNVEILS KIOSK IN SURPRISE

January 19, 2011 – Phoenix, AZ....On March 23, 2010 the Maricopa County Recorder's Office presented to the public, the first recording KIOSK in the United States. At that time County Recorder Helen Purcell stated her office's vision was to have recording KIOSKs throughout the county – that the KIOSK would be a remote extension of her recording counter without the need to physically visit the downtown Phoenix office or the southeast office in Mesa. "Today, here at the Northwest Regional Library in Surprise," said Ms. Purcell, "I am very pleased to say that with the cooperation of the Maricopa County Library District we are now able to achieve that goal."

The concept for this project began in the late 90's, however because electronic recording had not been fully developed the Recorder's Office could not yet pursue this undertaking. Following the implementation of electronic recording in 1999, Purcell sat down with her staff and seriously began formalizing plans for the recording KIOSK.

The recording KIOSK has the capability of housing a computer terminal with touch screen ability, document scanning and printing, audio, video and credit card reader; and it will permit the public to record their document while in direct communication with one of the Recording Office employees.

"Not only are we facilitating the customer with the latest in recording technology," said Ms. Purcell, "we are helping the environment - in addition to the overall efficiency of the Maricopa County Recorder's Office."